Loss suffered by Singareni Collieries Limited

2002. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) what are the accumulated losses of Singareni Collieries Limited so far; and

(b) what steps have been taken to reduce the losses ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) The accumulated losses of Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) upto 31st March, 1992 were Rs. 623.62 crores.

(b) SCCL which comes under the administrative control of Government of Andhra Pradesh have taken following steps to reduce the losses :—(i) deployment of Central Industrial Security Force to maintain law and order in the coalfield areas; (ii) stoppage of recruitment of personnel over the past one year to improve man productivity and to contain cost of production.

Linkage to Thermal Power Stations in Andhra Pradesh

2003. DR. YELAMACHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal from Andhra Pradesh Government pending for clearance for linkage of coal to coast based power station at Krishnapatnam and Kothagudem TPS Stage-V; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) and (b) Krishnapatnam TPS and Kothagudem TPS Stage-V are new Schemes proposed by the Government of Andhra Pradesh alongwith other Schemes.

Coal linkages for these Schemes have not yet been established. The 'in principle' clearances of Planning Commission for these schemes have also not been received.

Coal deposit with Singareni Collieries Limited

2004. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total production of Singareni Collieries Limited;

(b) what is the manner in which it is being distributed;

(c) what are the estimated deposits of coal in these collieries;

(d) what steps have been taken to exploit the full potential ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) Coal production in Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) during the period April 1992 to November 1992 has been 12.737 million tonnes (Provisional).

(b) SCCL are supplying 90% of their production to Core sector consumers like power, cement, Railways, etc. The remaining 10% is being supplied to non-core sector consumers comprising of paper, tobacco, textiles, Lime/Brick, etc. Presently there are about 2000 units in the non-core sector linked to the Company. Supplies to these units are effected as per sponsorship/recommendations of the concerned authorities.

(c) Coal deposits in Godavari Valley—which SCCL are operating, have been estimated by the Geological survey of India at 10.816 billion tonnes.

(d) Steps taken by SCCL to exploit the deposits to their full potential are :—

(1) Undertaking detailed exploration for proving the reserves estimates by the GSI.

(2) Formulation of and obtaining sanctions for new projects and expension of existing projects.

(3) Taking up schemes for building up infrastructural facilities commensurate with the Company's expension schemes.